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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This Statement is supplemental to the Information Disclosure Statements dated October 18, 2000, and January 2, 2002. This Statement is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3), i.e., before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97-1.98, Applicant submits the accompanying Form PTO-1449 (or substitute form) citing references relating to the above-identified application. A copy of each reference listed on the enclosed form is enclosed. Each reference is in the English language. reference listed on the enclosed form was cited in a counterpart international patent application in a communication from the IPEA/US. A copy of the communication, namely, the PCT Written Opinion, is enclosed.

Applicant also directs the Examiner's attention to the discussion relating to Genbank Accession No. AF216312 at pages 47-53 of the specification.

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The Examiner is respectfully requested to initial the citations on the enclosed form to confirm consideration of each reference.

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